BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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IN RE: TRIENNIAL REVIEW ORDER-9	`	
MONTH PROCEEDING-HOT CUTS)	Docket No. 03-00526
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PETITION TO INTERVENE OF COMPSOUTH

Competitive Carriers of the South, Inc. ("CompSouth")¹ petitions the Authority to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310(a).

CompSouth is a competitive local exchange carrier certified by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA"). This proceeding will address, among other things, the terms and conditions under which CompSouth may operate in Tennessee. As a certified telecommunications service provider, CompSouth's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests or responsibilities may be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding. Granting this petition will not impair the interests of justice or the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

CompSouth, therefore, asks that this Petition to Intervene be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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